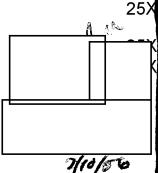
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

SUBJECT:

Brainwashing

REFERENCE:

Your memorandum, CM-312-56, same

subject, dated 7 June 1956.

- The consideration given by the Joint Chiefs of Staff to the preliminary report on brainwashing is appreciated. I concur in your view that there is need for additional studies.
- The nature of the pregrams you suggest raises the question as to the best place to initiate such studies. The development of a special informational campaign designed to dispel free world ignorance and fear of brainwashing, I believe would most properly be initiated by USIA or the Department of State. If such endeavor is undertaken, the CIA working groups will provide support as required.
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Subject: Brainwashing

- 1. The Joint Staff considers the study on the above subject, which you sent me on 25 April, to be excellent. It is noted that this is a preliminary report on the subject, and that several working groups in CIA continue to be concerned with this problem.
- 2. The subject paper again highlights the need for two additional scientific studies, and it is hoped that the attention of your working groups may be drawn to this need. The first of these, it is believed, should be devoted to the development of a U.S. domestic-NATO-SEATO special information campaign to dispel free world ignorance and fear of brainwashing. The second is a program for equipping and preparing free world military personnel to withstand the brainwashing process successfully.
- 3. In the second additional study suggested, consideration might be given to applicable principles of "Militant Liberty" and the program employed by the United Nations Command in Korea to enable the anti-communist prisoners of war to withstand the communist "explanations", which were in effect brainwashing and which had been expected by the enemy to result in re-establishment of their domination over most if not all of the POWs. The latter program, while not so well formulated as Militant Liberty, presents very interesting parallels to it. The subject CIA study points out what was demonstrated through experience in Korea, the fact that the brainwashing process is almost as arduous for the interrogator as for the victim, and that the interrogator too is vulnerable. The enemy has a major personnel problem in providing sufficient skilled interrogators for mass brainwashing.

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